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Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy

JUNE 2008 E-NEWSLETTER FOR THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY

Closures of the Consular Section for June and July

The Consular Section will be closed for the following upcoming holidays:

June 10 — Portugal Day June 13 — St. Anthony's Day July 4 - U.S. Independence Day

Possible Protests Planned for Monday, June 9

According to news reports, transportation companies may block "strategic" locations on Monday, June 9, to protest the increase in gas prices.

Ports, highways, national roads and oil refineries could be targeted, reportedly beginning at midnight on Sunday.

The CNA (National Farmers Confederation) has also threatened a national protest in Lisbon if the Portuguese government does not minimize the impact of rising gas prices. On June 13th, the CNA will deliver their formal protest to the Prime Minister and could stage a protest action shortly afterwards, depending on the response.

Stay tuned!

Why Register With the Embassy?

By registering at the U.S. Embassy, you make your presence and whereabouts known in case it is necessary for a consular officer to contact you or your relative in an emergency.

You will also receive our electronic newsletter and warden messages to share general news of interest or to alert you to security situations in Portugal.

Any data you provide may be accessed only by State Department personnel and is released to others only with your express permission, pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act.

Register today! Go online to the Travel Registration site.

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Appointment System for Citizen Services

This month, the American Citizen Services Unit started offering appointments for services, including passports, birth registrations, notaries, and general inquires,

So far, it has been a great success, allowing our customers to plan their visit in advance and shorten wait times.

For information on how to make an appointment, please visit our <u>Appointments Page</u>. You may also call 21-770-2122 during our public phone hours, 2 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, or send us an e-mail at: conslisbon@state.gov.

Interested in Becoming a Diplomat?

Each year, the State Department offers a written exam for those interested in joining the U.S. Foreign Service as an officer. The next exam will be offered in July at select overseas locations, including U.S. Embassy Lisbon.

The test will be scheduled between July 12 - 19, and it will be computer-based. If interested in taking the exam at the Embassy, candidates must submit their completed registration form by July 3 and have chosen their overseas test site by July 9.

For more information about the exam and other Foreign Service opportunities, please visit: www.careers.state.gov.

<u>Interesting fact:</u> For the third year in a row, the Department of State has placed in the top five ideal employers in an annual poll of undergraduates reported by BusinessWeek.

To view all the rankings, visit the **Business Week Report**.



Voting News

The two top contenders for the 2008 Presidential Election have been chosen! If you have not yet registered to receive an absentee ballot, you still have time. Please visit www.fvap.gov or contact the U.S. Embassy for instructions on registering at: VoteLisbon@state.gov

If you do not receive your voting ballot by early October, you may use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB). This is available from the U.S. Embassy or online at the above site.

Keep in mind that you should not send the FWAB until after your state primary, otherwise, officials may assume it is a ballot for the state primary.

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Is Your Child Going Abroad for College?

The U.S. Department of State recently launched a public affairs campaign that targets American citizen college students and young people studying and traveling internationally.

The campaign is designed to promote safe, smart travel to college students and spring breakers.

To offer college students a one-stop reference for international travel, this new comprehensive website, www.studentsabroad.state.gov, offers country specific information, tips for safe travel, and other information such as: who to contact if the student is a victim of a crime; where the nearest U.S. Embassy is located; and what to do in case of a natural disaster or emergency.

Hundreds of thousands of people choose to study or travel abroad annually. Even for students who live abroad, such as our young citizens in Portugal, this is often the first

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As a registered American with the Embassy, you should be receiving the e-Newsletter automatically if you've provided your e-mail address.

Consular Fees

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Passport	Adult Renewal		51.00€	\$75.00
	Minor Renewal		58.00€	\$85.00
	1st time Applicant		68.00€	\$100.00
	Lost/Stolen		68.00€	\$100.00
Report of Birth Package			102.00€	\$150.00
Consular Certificate		20.00€	\$30.00	
Notaries	1st document		20.00€	\$30.00
	2nd Document		14.00€	\$20.00